General Provisions	Hunting regulations are designed to protect wildlife populations and ensure the continuation of sport hunting. The following general regulations apply to Hillside, Morgan Brake and Mathews Brake NWRs and supplement regulations governing hunting on National Wildlife Refuges as set forth in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations and applicable state regulations.
General Hunting Regulations	Public hunting is permitted on Hillside, Morgan Brake and Mathews Brake NWRs subject to provisions in this brochure.
	By state law non-residents may not take antlerless deer.
	Hunting or entry permitted only in areas designated on maps.
	High water may cause temporary closures of hunt areas. Closures will be posted at Hunter Information Stations.
	All participants must wear a minimum of 500 square inches of unbroken fluorescent orange visible above the waistline while hunting and while enroute to and from hunting areas during refuge firearm deer seasons.
	Use or possession of any drug or device for employing such drug for hunting is prohibited.
	It is unlawful to drive or screw a metal object into a tree or to hunt from a tree in which metal objects are placed.
	Dogs are permitted for squirrel, waterfowl, dove, quail, raccoon/opossum and February rabbit hunting only.
	Camping is prohibited.

Parked vehicles must not obstruct

any portion of a road, gate, turnrow

or field access ramp and must not obstruct the flow of traffic, including farm equipment.		o fi
Vehicle use restricted to paved or improved roads as shown on brochure map.		H h d
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ATV use is permitted only on designated trails from Sep. 15, 2000-Feb. 28, 2001. ATVs will not be		F
allowed off trails to retrieve deer.		Ι
Permanent blinds or stands are prohibited. During gun deer hunts, hunting from tripods and other		I v la
free-standing platforms is prohibited in fields and tree plantations.		F a
It is unlawful to attach any stand to a power or utility pole.		e N s
Stands adjacent to fields or tree plantations must be a minimum of 10 feet above ground.		A a
Firearms prohibited except during authorized gun hunts.		(
Loaded or uncased firearms in or		F p
on vehicles including ATVs or boats under power prohibited. Loaded is defined as shells in the gun or percussion caps on muzzleloaders.		N A
Report all game taken on a pink	General Hunting	I e
User Information Card at a Hunter	Requirements	0
Information Station before leaving the refuge. Deer taken during		о у
muzzleloader hunts must be field		S
dressed before being brought to check stations (see Specific		a y
Hunting Regulations).		S
No shooting within 200 yards of buildings.		E 0
No man-drives for deer. Hunting		b v
from or shooting across open fields		a
from ground level prohibited during gun deer hunts. Firearms must be		o u
unloaded while standing beside, in,		s

or walking across any portion of a field or tree plantation. Refuge access is restricted to deer hunters during the muzzleloader deer hunt. The use of horses is prohibited. Plastic flagging tape is prohibited. Littering in any form is prohibited. Deer stands must be removed within seven days of the close of the last refuge deer season. Farmers Home Administration lands administered by Yazoo NWR Complex are closed to all public use except as authorized by Refuge Manager. Contact Yazoo NWR for special regulations. All catfish ponds on Morgan Brake are closed to hunting. Crossbows are prohibited. Possession of alcoholic beverages prohibited on refuge. No hunting within 100 yards of Alligator Slough Nature Trail. In addition to a State hunting license. each hunter 16 years of age or older must carry a refuge permit on their person. Hunters under 16 years of age must carry a Hunter Safety Course Card or Certificate and be accompanied by an adult 21 years old or older. An adult may supervise only one youth. Each hunter must obtain and fill out a pink User Information Card before hunting and display it on the vehicle dash so that name and address are visible from the outside. Before leaving the refuge, users must complete the reverse side of the card and deposit it in a

drop box at one of the Hunter Information Stations, Include all game harvested on card. If no game is harvested, report "0". Small Game, Each small game, archery and Archery and muzzleloader deer hunter age 16 or Muzzleloaderolder must have on their person a Deer Hunts valid State hunting license and a Refuge Public Use Permit. The Public Use Permit Public Use Permit is valid for all $$12 \; Fee$ unlimited deer and small game hunts on Yazoo, Panther Swamp, Hillside, Morgan Brake and Mathews Brake NWRs. Permit expires June 30, 2001. There is a \$12 fee for each permit issued. To obtain a Refuge Public Use Permit, mail vour complete name. address, and date of birth on a plain sheet of paper to Yazoo NWR and specify "Unlimited Hunts" on envelope. Enclose a money order or cashier's check which includes \$12 for **each permit** requested. Applications will be accepted by mail beginning Aug. 1, 2000. There is no deadline for Public Use Permit applications. Applications will also be accepted over-the-counter during regular office hours, Monday through Friday at Yazoo NWR Headquarters (closed on federal holidays and weekends). See brochure map for areas closed Specific Hunting to hunting. State bag limits and firearms restrictions apply unless Regulations listed otherwise. Small Game Hunts Shotguns shooting approved nontoxic shot and .22 rifles only. Public Use Permit Possession of toxic shot, buckshot \$12 Fee and slugs prohibited. Squirrel & Rabbit Oct. 14-Nov. 30, 2000; Dec. 16, 2000-Feb. 28, 2001. Restricted to designated waterfowl hunting areas beginning Dec. 16. Turkey Point Unit closed.

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Rabbit with Dogs Feb. 12-28, 2001. Hillside NWR

	Morgan Brake NWR (south of Providence Road closed) only.	
	Feb. 12-28, 2001. Hillside NWR (Turkey Point Unit closed).	
& ı equired)	Contact Refuge Manager for requirements.	
	Hillside NWR - Turkey Point Unit closed.	
	Morgan Brake NWR - South of Providence Road closed.	Hog
	Mathews Brake NWR - November and December only.	36
ers	Valid permit holders may take furbearers in season incidental to other refuge hunts with weapons legal for that hunt. Only raccoon, opossum, fox, bobcat, coyote, beaver, nutria, mink, skunk or muskrat may be taken. Night hunting is prohibited except for raccoon and opossum.	Migratory Dove Public Use \$12 Fee Duck Public Use \$12 Fee
e Hunts se Permit	State bag limit. Hunters will not be allowed to use ATVs to retrieve deer.	
cchery)	Hillside NWR-Sept. 30-Nov. 17, 2000, Jan. 1-31, 2001. Either sex. Waterfowl Hunt Area only in January.	Designated Waterfowl Areas Only
	Morgan Brake NWR-Sept. 30-Nov. 17, 2000; Dec. 16, 2000-Jan. 31, 2001. Either sex. Waterfowl Hunt area and area South of Providence Road and West of Spring Branch during late archery deer hunt.	
	Mathews Brake NWR-Sept. 30, 2000-Jan. 31, 2001. Either sex.	Youth Wate Youths und
	Check stations will be open from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm. If no attendant is on duty, follow self service instructions at station.	

(Deer Hillside NWR-Dec. 2-12, 2000. All Muzzleloader) (Turkey Point Unit closed), and deer taken during Hillside Morgan Brake NWR (south of muzzleloader hunts must be checked at the refuge check station located on Thornton Road. Morgan Brake NWR-Dec. 2-12, 2000. All deer harvested during Morgan Brake NWR muzzleloader hunt must be checked at Morgan Brake Refuge headquarters. Mathews Brake Closed. Feral hogs may be taken by permit holders incidental to other refuge hunts with weapons legal for that hunt. Unlimited bag. No dogs. Hillside NWR only. Second State season only. Designated Dove Hunt se Permit Area only(see map). Lead shot permitted on dove field only. Shotguns shooting approved non-See Permit toxic shot only. Possession of toxic shot prohibited. There is no early teal season. Legal duck hunting ends each day at noon. Duck hunters must remove all decoys and harvested waterfowl from the area by 1:00 pm each day. **Dec. 30-31** restricted to youth waterfowl hunt. See below. Hillside NWR-State season. l Hunt Closed during refuge muzzleloader deer hunt. Morgan Brake NWR-State season. Closed during refuge muzzleloader deer hunt. Mathews Brake NWR-State Season. December 30-31, 2000, Hillside. Morgan Brake and Mathews Brake NWRs. State bag. See above for hunting hours. See general regulations for youth hunters. Both vouth and adult may hunt.

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Yazoo, Panther Swamp, Hillside, Morgan Brake and Mathews Brake National Wildlife Refuges (NWRs) make up the Yazoo NWR Complex. Request maps, permits and additional information from: Yazoo NWR Complex, 728 Yazoo Refuge Road, Hollandale, MS 38748, 662/839 2638.

All hunters must possess a refuge permit which certifies that they understand and will comply with the regulations contained in this brochure.

Violation of Refuge or State regulations may result in confiscation of Refuge Permits in addition to prosecution.



